

January 2011 - Disney Trip Informational Paper

Student Name: _____

Plans and fundraising have been under way since summer of 2010 for the 2011 Marching Band trip to Disney World in Florida to march in a parade at the theme park. Everyone received a packet prior to Thanksgiving listing requirements, proposed itinerary, payment schedule and commitment forms. Here are the results:

Commitment forms require = 90% vs. Actual commitment forms received = 74%

This presents **concerns**:

1. Will the performance level be where it should be and as we desire it to be in representing our school and this ensemble?
2. Are there more financial issues than we anticipated?
3. Are there other issues we are not aware of?

There are also cost issues now due to the lower response: Less people to cover the cost of 2 buses – we now must **INCREASE** \$50 per person. New total \$750.00 per person.

If the number of people goes down more, the price will go up again.

Revised Payment Schedule:

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| Jan. 26, 2011 | \$100.00 | July 27, 2011 | \$150.00 |
| March 30, 2011 | \$200.00 | Sept. 14, 2011 | \$100.00 |
| May 25, 2011 | \$200.00 | | |

FUNDRAISING – 2/3 of the students committed need to rely on fundraising 50% or more. There are many challenges ahead.

- Here is the current balance in your student's fundraising account.
\$ _____
- The boosters can **ORGANIZE** the fundraisers, but the students must **WORK** to make this happen. Most everything worthwhile in life, you must work for.
- We have not seen the participation in these past fundraisers as we had anticipated given the Disney Trip plans.
- Current projects include: Dinners, Subs, Spring Sarris Candy, possible Daffin's candy bars and a couple of other ideas being researched.
- If your student is fortunate to **NOT** have fundraising concerns, please consider having them **HELP** those who do and desperately want to go on this trip.

See other side for more information!

Payment Coupon for Jan. 26, 2011: **\$100.00**

Student Name: _____

Enclosed: Check # _____ Cash _____ From my Student's Account \$ _____

Make Check payable to CVHS Music Boosters

Charge Card: _____ (Contact me) Signed: _____

Cancellation? – There has been much discussion in the last 2 weeks on whether to cancel the trip due to the low percentage of commitment and fundraising challenges. Many hours of discussion during booster meetings has occurred. We WANT to have this work for those that are passionate about going. There are REAL concerns about performance level and costs. There are real concerns about if kids are going to apply themselves because of a broad spread ho-hum attitude. So, we need MORE PARENTS to be involved – in decision making and fundraising efforts.

WE DON'T LIKE UNCERTAINTY EITHER...

- What if I realize that I can't make all the payments? If your child **has** been working hard at fundraising, we will try to see if there are any "scholarship" monies available from outside donations. Monies will be VERY limited if at all available.
- Refunds? Once we have to start paying our deposits to the tour company, we will not be able to refund any monies for an individual(s) canceling.
- Will costs change? The more people that cancel, the higher it will cost the others. Once we reach the agreement date with the tour company, we "lock in" the number participating.
- What happens to my money if the trip is cancelled? Any money raised from fundraising will be moved back into the student account. Any money sent in by check or cash will be eligible for refund, upon written request.

BOTTOM LINE – This can still change at any time due to the lower number of participants and if the payments do not come in on time.

How do I stay informed?

www.cvmusicboosters.wikispaces.com or www.cvhsmusic.wikispaces.com

Call with questions regarding money issues to Mrs. Dot Luckock, Booster President at 587-6233 dluckock@windstream.net or Mrs. Karen Bean, Treasurer at 587-3538

Call with any questions regarding musical/performance aspects to Mr. Glenn Cameron, Music Director at 587-2166 or gcameron@conneautsd.org.

Thank you

Glenn R. Cameron
CVHS Music Director

Executive Committee
CVHS Music Boosters

Reminder: Spaghetti Dinner at Ruth's Restaurant

Monday, January 24th, serving 4:00 – 7:00 or until sold out.